

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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C O N F I D E N T I A L CANBERRA 6560

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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, AS, KN, KS

SUBJECT: GOA CONTEMPLATES RECOGNIZING NORTH KOREA

1. I CHECKED WITH FONOFF OFFICIAL LAST NIGHT (DECEMBER 3) ON A RUMOR PICKED UP BY KOREAN CHARGE TO EFFECT THAT AUSTRALIA WAS ABOUT TO RECOGNIZE NORTH KOREA.

2. I WAS ASSURED BY LEW BORDER, DEPUTY SECRETARY, THAT THIS WAS NOT IMMINENT. HE SAID THAT GOA HAD DECIDED TO MOVE TOWARD RECOGNIZING NORTH KOREA BUT THAT TIMING WAS UNDECIDED. HE ADDED THAT INCIDENTS SUCH AS RECENT NORTH KOREAN THREATS AGAINST SOUTH KOREAN FISHING BOATS AND ISLANDS WERE NOTED BY GOA AND HAD EFFECT OF DELAYING ANY EARLY ACTION ON RECOGNITION.

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## Message Attributes

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